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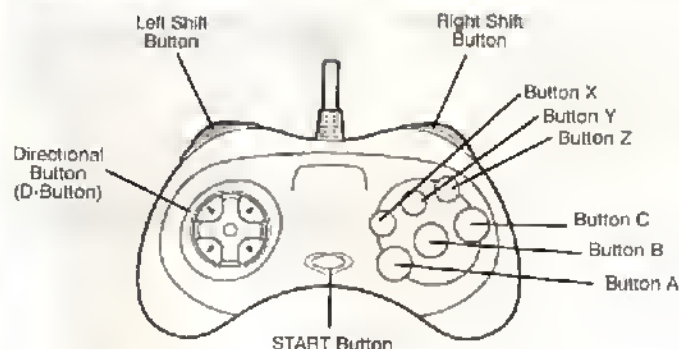
Formula Karts is the finest racing game yet on the Sega Saturn. Race your kart around eight stunning courses against 8 computer-controlled drivers in your quest to become the supreme champion. Alternatively, test your skills against a friend in the two player split screen mode.

Formula Karts is a racing game with the emphasis on racing! This is definitely not just a time trial! You can choose to race on just one track or select a Championship or Arcade race which takes you through all the courses in turn, provided that you qualify in Arcade mode. The computer drivers will test you to the limit and punish you if you make the slightest error.

Although Kart Racing is supposed to be a non-contact sport, the closeness of the races and the strength of the karts means a little (or a lot) of nudging can sometimes be used to great effect, and lapping every 20 seconds or so means there is little time to relax. Keep your mind focused on the job in hand as corners and other karts are never too far away.



Controls



Mode Select

Button A	Confirm
Button B	Cancel
Button C	Confirm
Directional Button (D-Button)	Move up, down, left or right

During the Race

Button A	Brake/Reverse (when stationary)
Button B	Accelerate
Button C	Change camera view
Start Button	Pause
Left Shift Button	Select Power Up
Right Shift Button	Activate Power Up

Starting the Game

Setting up a race is very easy. The fastest way to get into a race is to press Button A and select the "Single Race" option. If, however, you would like to alter any of the settings, such as the number of laps, handling, difficulty levels, etc., before you set off, go to the "Options Menu" and scroll up and down through the options until you get to the one you want.

Options Menu

Difficulty - Here you can choose the difficulty level of your opponents - Easy, Medium or Pro.

Race length - Vary the length of the race between 6 and 40 laps.

Damage - If you switch an "Damage" you should be wary of hitting anything as you can ruin the steering and it can only be repaired by going into the pits, costing you valuable seconds from your lap time.

Tilt - Adjusts the level of tilt the camera makes when taking a bend.

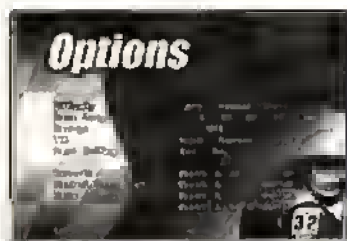
Save Settings - Activating this option will save your current settings as the default.

Control Configuration - Here you can set up the various control devices (Joypad, Steering wheel etc.) to suit your own personal tastes.

Records - Check out your best laps and also the highest point scorers in both Championship and Arcade modes in all the difficulty levels.

Name - Enter your name here to have it displayed in the results.

Sound - Change the Background music or just do a sound test on either the CD tracks or the FX.



2-Player Mode

Here you can race against a friend on a split-screen. Choose the 2-player option from the "Main Menu" screen and then each player can choose the team they would like to race with. Both players can choose to race in the same team if desired.

Note: Remember to change the settings for the race in the earlier menu option.



Race Modes

Practice - This is a single race where you complete a set amount of laps with only the clock to keep you company. The last 5 lap times are displayed on the screen.

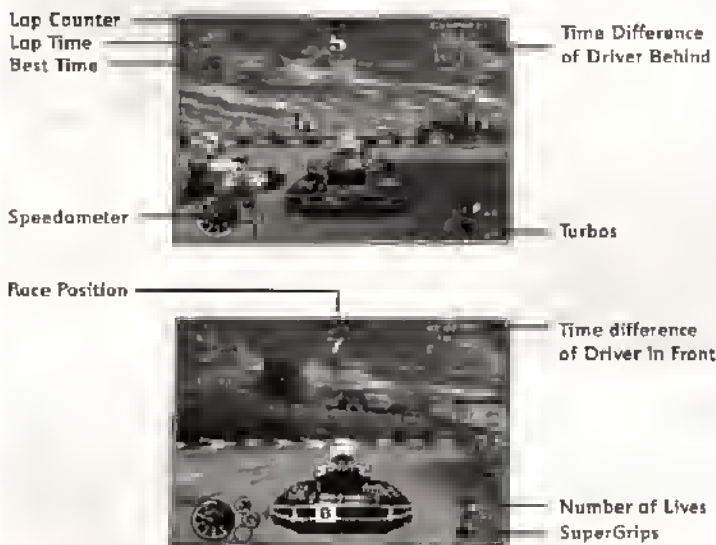
Single race - In this mode you can select the team that you wish to race with. Choose your track and pit your skills against the other drivers.

Championship - Select your own team and then race the circuits in turn, trying to win the most points in your bid to become champion.

Arcade - In arcade mode you have to race the tracks in turn and qualify for the next race by finishing in the top three. In between each race you will be given the opportunity to upgrade your kart in the shop with your prize money.



Inside the Cockpit



Choosing Your Kart

When choosing your kart there are 3 factors which should be taken into consideration: Top Speed, Acceleration and Grip. These are depicted by a speedometer, a graph, and a tyre respectively. You will find that the kart with the highest top speed is not necessarily the best.



Speed



Acceleration



Grip

The Courses



Germany

Race around this German town through the sharp bends and under the bridge by the harbour. The pit-lane is at the top of the hill, so don't forget to refuel!

France

As you speed through the ice-capped French mountains you should be wary of the slippery road surfaces as sliding out on the bends can cost you valuable time. Take this into consideration when choosing your kart.



Australia

This track is set in the Australian outback. You find yourself racing through an old mineshaft, so beware of the sharp bends as you come into the light after being in the mine.



Holland

This track is set in the picturesque countryside of Holland. As you can imagine, it's fairly flat, but points to watch out for are the sharp bends and hairpin in the tunnel. Beware of those windmills too!



England

This track takes you screaming down an English motorway, and then along some back-roads through some delightful countryside. Make sure you don't lose control when turning off the motorway.

Brazil

You find yourself in the Brazilian jungle for this race. Speed along the slippery, grass tracks through the twisting bends and under an ancient monument. Beware of the cliff-top hairpin bend just before you go into the tunnel.



Japan

For this course you are taken to the ultra-modern Japanese circuit. This is one of the fastest tracks in Formula Karts due to the super smooth man-made track surface, and also one of the most difficult due to the sharp bends, especially on the slope.

Egypt

You can now race through the Egyptian desert, past the Sphinx and the Pyramids through a smooth, winding track. This one is fairly fast, so you will need to take a good line through the bends, and particularly the hairpin. If you are to have any chance of winning.



The Shop

In Arcade mode you are able to upgrade your Kart with various tune-ups:

SuperGrip - This gives you a burst of extra grip, perfect for some of the tight bends.

Turbo - A short burst of speed to take you past your opponent and on to victory!

Extra Life - In Arcade mode you start with only three lives. If you want to keep your bid for glory going, this is what you need.

Fuel Tank - In a long race you don't want to have to go to the pits too often.

Engine Tune - This is what you need if you want a lasting upgrade to your engine's performance.

Tyre Upgrade - Buy yourself some higher quality tyres to improve your all-round grip on the tracks.

